

In the beginning of the book, Stanley Yelnats was sent to Camp Green Lake for stealing Clyde Livingston's, a baseball player's shoes, from a homeless shelter. Stanley said he was not guilty, but the judge gave him the option of going to Camp Green Lake or jail. So, Stanley's parents sent him to the camp. At this camp, the boys would dig a very large hole every day. Throughout the book, there are sections that talk about Kissin' Kate Barlow. Stanley had been told that his great great grandfather had been robbed by Kissin' Kate Barlow. One day, Stanley found a gold tube with the letters "K" and "B" on it. Eventually, Stanley believed that they were initials for Kate Barlow. One of the other boys in Stanley's hole digging group convinced Stanley to let him give the Warden the gold tube, so Stanley did and then the boys had to start digging a lot more to find more treasure. Another boy in Stanley's group, Zero, asked Stanley to teach him how to read and write and in return, Zero would dig some of Stanley's hole each day. Eventually the other boys in the group got angry and they all got into a fight. Zero ran away and then a few days later so did Stanley. Stanley was lucky enough to find Zero still alive. They found some water and onions, so they rested for about a week and then they decided they would go back to the spot where Stanley found the gold tube to find more of the treasure to give the warden. Stanley and Zero did find more, it was a suitcase, but the warden caught them. No one could move because the suitcase brought out a ton of very dangerous lizards. So, the next day Stanley's lawyer arrived to take him home and Stanley got to keep the suitcase because it had his name on it. It belonged to the very first Stanley Yelnats. Stanley and Zero were both taken from camp that day and were given a lot of money for what they found.